Nevada Watercolor Society



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April 2021

April 14th Meeting Will Be Virtual Via Zoom Due to Coronavirus – invitation to follow Next Board Meeting Date: To be Announced, Will Be Virtual Via Zoom

President's Message



What a great response we had to **Don Andrews's** virtual painting demonstration! Fifty-two people signed up, and forty-five tuned in on March 10. I received many emails afterward praising the presentation. Thank you Don for the beautiful artwork, and for taking time to answer the many questions that were submitted. Our April virtual meeting is sure to be equally informative as we welcome Utah artist **Carl Purcell** (see below for more details).

Many of you may be wondering when NVWS will again be able to meet in person. The simple answer is, we don't know. While some past restrictions are now easing up, we don't know how long that will last, nor do we know what restrictions will remain constant. We are hopeful, but not necessarily optimistic, that we can reconvene in-person meetings in September...we will just have to wait and see. Look for an announcement in this regard in late summer. The good news is that many of you, as well as our presenters, have gotten more comfortable with the technology required to deliver meetings virtually, and we will be considering whether to continue at least some of our future meetings in that format even after the pandemic has passed.

As a last item, our monthly Board meetings are open to any member wishing to attend. Since our current board meetings are conducted virtually, please contact me or any board member to receive a Zoom link.

Gail Montoure, President

April Program

Join us on **Wednesday, April 14 at 7:00** PM as we welcome Utah artist and former NVWS member **Carl Purcell**. Carl taught painting and drawing at Snow College in Utah for 30 years.

He is currently a popular painting and drawing workshop instructor, having conducted workshops throughout the West, from Alaska to Arizona, and in Great Britain.

Carl is the author of the North Light publications, *Painting With Your Artist's Brain* (a watercolor book) and *Drawing With Your Artist's Brain*. In addition his art has been featured in numerous articles published in *The Artist's Magazine* and in *Splash I*. Carl's demonstration will focus on correcting problems common to watercolorists, such as overcomplicated compositions and a missing center of interest.

Watch your email a few days before the meeting for your "Reserve My Seat" link.



Volunteers Needed

Our 2021 Nominating Committee has completed its work and found four volunteers for the four open positions on the NVWS board for the 2021-2022 year. We are also looking for people who would like to "shadow" these positions to learn what is required with the goal of moving into them in following years.

We also have had interest from people willing to work on Shows, which we would like to divide into vice-chairs to spread the work among a few people instead of burdening one person with all of the responsibility. Vice-Chairs would assist in several areas: securing donations, aiding the non-tech savvy members with sizing their photos for virtual presentation, dealing with venues, and taking pictures of members' work if needed. Without your help, it is nearly impossible to bring you the quality programming and exhibits that you have come to rely on.

If you are interested in one of these positions, please contact Gail Montoure or Nancy Buford.

The board positions that will be open for the September 2021 through May 2022 year are:

President: Responsible for conducting monthly board meetings and emceeing monthly member meetings; lead spokesperson for the Nevada Watercolor Society; provides leadership to establish priorities for the NVWS year.

Volunteer: Wanda Drake

1st Vice President – Programs: Responsible for lining up a presenter for each of approximately 5 monthly meetings (usually September, November, January, March, and April).

Volunteer: Cesar Ceballos

3rd Vice President – Shows & Exhibits: Responsible for organizing up to 3 exhibits each year, soliciting entries, and lining up jurors and venues. Multiple people are encouraged to serve on the Shows & Exhibits committee, however only one person shall be designated as a board officer.

Volunteer: Vina Curtis

Secretary: Attends the monthly board meetings, transcribes and publishes the meeting minutes, and publishes the monthly board agenda.

Volunteer: Isabel Huskey

There will be an online vote in May to formally select officers for the 2021-2022 year.

NVWS Members Who Won Recognition at City Lights Spring Show

In Watercolor, Doni Murphy won both 1st and 3rd places, and Patty Stroupe won an Honorable Mention.

In Acrylic, Jan Schaeffer won 3rd place.

Congratulations to the winners!

Upcoming Shows

SPRING SHOW

2021 Spring Show: April 8 to June 20, 2021

Show is now Virtual

An invitation link will be sent to the April 8, 2021 Virtual Reception

Individual works will be released on the NVWS Instagram site on April 1, 2021

A slideshow will be available at the April 14, 2021 Virtual Meeting

Juror: Carl Purcell

Courtesy Cards

Linda Smith suggested that we distribute cards to various assisted living and nursing homes in Las Vegas, and Hyrum Huskey is coordinating the effort. He is stocking cards, including one of several lines of greetings and with the Nevada Watercolor Society as an identifying line.

To participate, please create some small 4" x 5" paintings for Hyrum to send. He suggested taking a half sheet to make 9 small paintings. If you want to do the same scene, he will scatter distribution so they don't all go to one facility. He has a paper cutter if you don't. You can bunch and mail them to him or make arrangements to deliver them to him in person. Hyrum can be reached at home 702-998-4620 or cell 413-237-5800. Recent distributions have gone to Desert View Assisted Living, Legacy House Centennial Hills and the Marquis on Cheyenne. We'd love to have you join us!

ZOOM WORKSHOP with Carl Purcell

Please Read the NEW INFORMATION Regarding the Changes in Workshop Format and Price

NEW DATES!!!*** April 13, 14, 2021 (TUES. WED.)***

TIME: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m. each day

PLACE: The comfort of your own home!

COST: \$100 for the two-day session: PLEASE PAY NOW







Better Paintings With Less Work

Back by popular demand, award winning artist and published author, Carl Purcell, will lead a two-day workshop where he will discuss the two most common problems most watercolor artists face: 1. Simplifying the subject and avoiding tedious over stroking (leading cause of mud infection) 2. Lack of an obvious area of dominance (i.e. focal point, main idea, or center of interest). By changing our thinking, these common problems can be overcome. Work along with Carl or, if you desire, sit back and watch, and review the entire process throughout the week at your own pace. You can learn more about Carl and his work at: carlpurcell.com

To register for the waiting list, go to: **NEVADAWATERCOLORSOCIETY.ORG**

PayPal and Credit Cards are accepted.
Contact Linda Smith for more information:
Email: lsmith.lv@outlook.com or call: 509-499-1156

*Full payment is due by February 15, 2021 in order to give the artist ample notification if we have to cancel. All payments are non-refundable, but transferable. Feel free to sell your spot if you need to cancel. All payments are non-refundable, but transferable. Feel free to sell your spot if you need to cancel.

Summer Painting Challenge

In May, we announced "**Reunion**" as the theme for this year's Summer Painting Challenge. It has been decided that we will hold off displaying the Challenge paintings until such time as we can actually have an in-person reunion. If you haven't completed your entry yet, the "**Reunion**" theme can be with people, places, or things. The only limit is your imagination.

Member Notes from Molly McClain

Put a link to your website in the Member Directory

It's simple. Login to <u>www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org</u> and edit your member profile and insert your link.

If you teach art, and would like your information in the Member Directory, do the same thing! Login to www.nevadawatercolorsociety.org and edit your member profile.

Please make sure that your contact information is correct and complete. If you have never logged in or are unable to, please contact Molly McClain, Membership at mollymc.art@icloud.com (corrected from last month) or call me at 702-769-4852.

A Word from Golden Artist Colors

We received word from **Mark Golden, CEO of Golden Artist Colors, Inc**. that Golden had recently introduced a new design for their acrylic paint tube caps, after receiving complaints that the old style caps were too difficult to remove. Unfortunately, there were many failures of the new cap style reported, wherein the cap breaks off under pressure.

Golden now has another new design for their caps (noted by their gray color), and has agreed to replace any broken caps you may have experienced. If you have had a problem with Golden caps breaking, you may contact Golden online at https://www.goldenpaints.com/contact_us/marketing and request the proper form to complete for obtaining replacement cap(s).

Tatsiana Harbacheuskaya Article in The Art of Watercolour

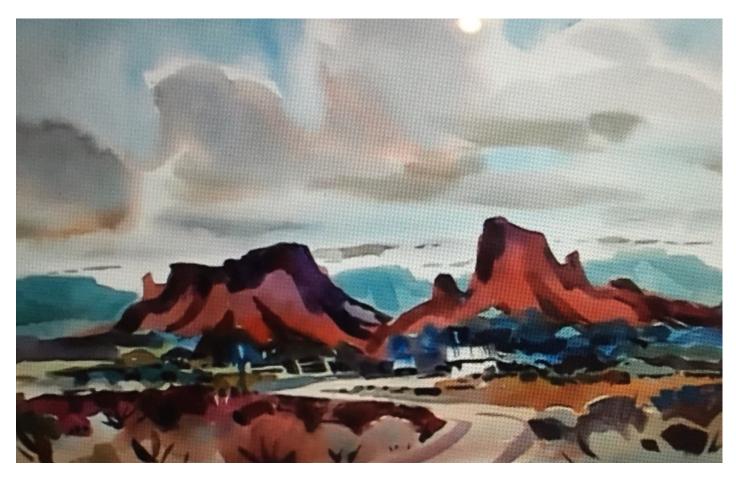
Tatsiana had an article published in *The Art of Watercolour*, titled "The Emotion of Colour." You should be able to find it at Barnes and Noble.



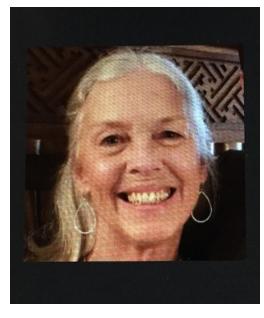


Congratulations, Tatsiana!

Demonstration by Don Andrews at March Meeting



Demo Painting



Martha Andrews



Don Andrews